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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Notice In the Matter of SBC Communications Inc. and
AT&T Corp. Transfer of Control Applications – WC Docket No. 05-65

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 20, 2005, the undersigned, and Gary Phillips and Tom Hughes of SBC Communications Inc., Larry Lafaro (via telephone) and Frank Simone of AT&T Corp., Jeane Thomas of Crowell & Moring LLP and David Lawson of Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP met with Paula Arluk, Legal Advisor to the Wireline Competition Bureau Chief; Jim Bird, Senior Counsel, Office of the General Counsel; Michelle Carey, Deputy Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau; Bill Dever, Deputy Chief of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau; Michele Ellison, Deputy General Counsel; Sam Feder, Legal Advisor to the Chairman; David Krech, Assistant Chief of the Policy Division, International Bureau; Marcus Maher, Attorney Advisor, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau; Tom Navin, Chief of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau; and Kent Nilsson, Deputy Chief, Network Technology Division, Office of Engineering and Technology.

The purpose of the meeting was to seek guidance from the Staff regarding the preparation of responses to the Initial Information and Document Request (the "Request") that the Wireline Competition Bureau issued to SBC and AT&T (the "Applicants") on April 18, 2005. The representatives of the Applicants raised a number of questions regarding the scope of the Request, described their plans for responding to it and, in certain instances, suggested modifications to the Request for the FCC's consideration.. The Staff members stated that they would consider the issues raised by the Applicants and would provide their views shortly, in order to facilitate responses by the May 9 deadline set forth in the Request.

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Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this letter is being filed electronically with the Office of the Secretary. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Grant", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Patrick J. Grant
Counsel for SBC Communications Inc.

cc: Paula Arluk
Jim Bird
Michelle Carey
Bill Dever
Michele Ellison
Sam Feder
David Krech
Marcus Maher
Tom Navin
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